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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-final Office Action mailed July 25, 2005, a reply to which is due by December 27, 2006, the first business day following the Christmas holiday with the accompanying request for a two-month extension of time.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.